

ANNOUNCEMENT

The future character and management of the African Burial Ground will be important factors in stimulating widespread public understanding and appreciation of its historic and social significance. Visitor facilities worthy of the magnitude of the African Burial Ground's importance must be capable of accommodating the intellectual and physical needs of all who seek an understanding of the site, its history, the people interred there, the times in which they lived, and the burial ground's continuing relevance to today's society.

On February 27, 2006 the National Park Service issued a pre-solicitation notice for a contract for the design (architectural build-out) for development of the African Burial Ground Interpretive Center.

On February 28, 2006 the National Park Service issued a request for proposals for the planning, design development, fabrication, and installation of interpretive media for the African Burial Ground Interpretive Center.

The National Park Service will hold two pre-bid public meetings:

Who:

All those interested in the project are invited to attend, including but not limited to potential offerors, the African descendant community, stakeholders and community members, government officials, historians, community leaders, and the general public. Attendance of offerors is not required.

What:

The public meeting will consist of an informational presentation by the National Park Service to the public. The agenda will consist of an overall presentation of the project, a synopsis of the interpretive media RFP and the architectural build-out RFP, the overall project process, and the planned civic engagement during the project. A time for questions and answers will follow.

When:

April 19, 2006
2:00pm-4:00pm EST
U.S. Customs House

Bowling Green
New York, New York

April 19, 2006
7:00pm-9:00pm EST
Ted Weiss Federal Building
290 Broadway
New York, New York

The meetings will be documented by a court reporter, and documentation of the presentation as well as the question and answer session will be posted on FedBizOpps.

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